

Amendments to the Specification:

Please add the following line of text to the **Brief Description of the Drawings** on page 13, after the line "FIG. 5 is a flat pattern layout of a cyclone clip.":

FIG. 5A is a flat pattern layout of a roof plate.

Please replace the paragraph on page 25 with the following amended paragraph:

The roof plate **39**, shown on Fig. 5A, is comprised of a generally flat steel plate **40**. Since the steel plate **40** will be exposed to the elements, it can be of stainless steel, or painted to match the roof. It can be copper-coated or made from strong plastics or man-made material. It can be textured to match shake shingles or have an s-curve shape or c-shape in order to fit the hills and valleys of a clay tile roof. It can have an arch in the middle in order to hold down solar panels or satellite dishes. FIG. 5 shows a standard roof plate **39**.

Please add the following new paragraph after the last paragraph in Objects and Advantages (page 12), and before the Brief Description of the Drawings (page 13):

Brief Summary of the Invention

A retrofit hurricane tie that connects the roof to the exterior walls on an existing building. Rafter webs allow attachment to opposite sides of a roof rafter, and a perpendicular base member allow attachment to the outside wall. An offset web, and unequal bends between the rafter webs and base member allow the connector to clear blocking and frieze boards beneath the roof.

Please replace the paragraph on page 25 with the following amended paragraph:

When the cyclone clip **16** is produced at the tool and die shop, a grommet **[[44]]** can be inserted between the sheathing tab **30** and **31**, and the strengthening tab **32** and **33**. The grommet **[[44]]** would tie both flat metal pieces solidly together. A hollow rivet **[[45]]** in the center would still allow the threaded shaft of the carriage bolt to enter. Tying both tabs together adds lateral strength to the clip when it is not installed to the roof plate **39**, and can prevent shear loads to the carriage bolt **41**.

Please delete the following two lines in the **Reference Numerals in Drawings** on page 14:

- 44. Grommet
- 45. Hollow rivet